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Common Council File No. 161235 is an ordinance that amends provisions relating to budgeting and accounting procedures for grant projects and programs in order to implement recommendations from a Comptroller's audit report.

Section 304-81 of the Milwaukee Code of Ordinances governs contributions received by the city. The Comptroller conducted an audit of fund carryover compliance. This report is submitted to the Common Council in File No. 161299. The Comptroller's audit included review of carryover procedures involving grant accounts. The audit report supports several changes in Section 304-81 and recommends that the Budget Office work with the Comptroller's Revenue and Cost Division to update Section 304-81.

File 161235 makes several changes to Section 304-81 in order to implement the Comptroller's Audit recommendations. These changes include:

- Modifies ordinances to reflect current accounting rules and practices.
- Provides that grant accounts are automatically carried forward without Common Council action.
- Provides that grants accounts are carried over consistent with the authorized grant period in the Common Council Resolution authorizing acceptance of the grant award.
- Provides that the closeout period for grants shall not exceed 120 days from the date that final grant revenues have been received.

Common Council File No. 161235 has no fiscal impact.

RECOMMENDATION: ADOPT COMMON COUNCIL FILE NUMBER 161235.

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